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LOK SABHA

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PROMOTION OF AGRO FORESTRY AND HORTICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote agro forestry and horticulture particularly in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance provided to States including Uttar Pradesh for this purposes during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA):

(a) and (b) The Department of Land Resources is implementing a Central Sector Scheme on Technology Development Extension and Training for Development of Non-Forest Wastelands under which pilot projects are sanctioned to various State Agricultural Universities/ICAR Institutes for testing Agro-Forestry models in different Agro-climatic regions of the country. Besides, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research is implementing an All India Coordinated Research project on Agro-Forestry in the country through the National Research Centre in Agro forestry located at Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture-Supplementation/Complementation of States` Efforts through Work Plan assistance is being extended to all the State Governments, to take up diversified farming systems in the arable and non-arable lands in the identified watersheds in the Rainfed non-arable lands in the identified watershed in the Rainfed areas as well as in the catchments of River Valley Projects and Flood Prone Rivers. Under this scheme assistance is also being extended for the development of horticultural crops in the country.

(c) The State-wise details of assistance provided for the development of horticulture in the country under Macro Management Scheme is given in enclosed Statement.